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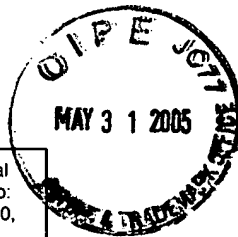
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Dear Sir:

This is in response to an Office Action herein, mailed 28 March 2005, time for response to which was set to expire 28 June 2005. Claims 1-8 were considered and rejected and the rejection was made final. This response is submitted within two months of the mailing date of the final rejection, and thus expedited procedure is requested.

Careful consideration has been given to the grounds for rejection, and the following amendment and discussion are offered in response. The amendments are directly responsive to the grounds for rejection and do not change the scope of the claims. They merely clarify the claimed subject matter so that patentability over the art can properly be assessed. Reconsideration is respectfully requested.